

In fraud involving conflict of interest, a contracting or oversight official misrepresents that he or she is impartial in business decisions when he or she has an undisclosed financial interest in a contractor or consultant who inflates the job cost to the Government.

Recognize and Report Fraud in Federally Funded Programs, Contracts, and Grants

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U.S. Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General

## Selected "Red Flag" Indicators of Conflicts of Interest

- ✓ Unexplained or unusual favoritism shown to a particular contractor or consultant
- ✓ Government official disclosing confidential bid information to a contractor or assisting the contractor in preparing the bid
- ✓ Employee having discussions about employment with a current or prospective contractor or consultant
- Close socialization with and acceptance of inappropriate gifts, travel, or entertainment from a contractor
- Vendor or consultant address being incomplete or matching employee's address
- ✓ Government official leasing or renting equipment to a contractor for performing contract work
- Contracting or purchasing employee lives beyond his or her means
- Contracting employee fails to file Conflict of Interest or Financial Disclosure forms
- Employee declines promotion from a procurement position

## Contact OIG using any of the following methods:

Online complaint form: www.oig.dot.gov/hotlineform.jsp

 Telephone:
 (800) 424-9071

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 (540) 373-2090

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